

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Louis Sickles, II on 09/30/2008.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 9, "**an image forming apparatus**" should be changed to "**the image forming apparatus**".

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1, 4-5, 7-9, 12-13 and 15-28 are allowed. The following is the examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The most pertinent prior art is Hiroaki (Japanese Publication Number 2001-018492). Hiroaki discloses a data controller, printer and print system to perform high speed printing or original image data. The prior art made of record does not disclose a host unit which obtains from an image forming apparatus, plug and play (PnP) which determines which one of a first communication unit and a second communication unit is to be used in the image forming apparatus for transferring

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print data from a host computer formed in a first language or a second language to a first language processing section or a second language processing section.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, would preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submission should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Hilina Kassa whose telephone number is (571) 270-1676.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Moore could be reached at (571) 272- 7437. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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